विद्युत मंत्रालयमें राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी.वी रंगैया नायडू) : (क) से (ङ) निधियों की अपर्याप्तता के कारण विलम्बित विद्युत परियोजनाओं में राज्य क्षेत्र की अनपारा "ख" (2X500 मेगावाट), टाण्डा (110 मेगावाट), श्रीनगर (6X55 मेगावाट) तथा सोबला–1 (2X3 मेगावाट) तथा केन्द्रीय क्षेत्र की ऊंवाहार (210 मेगावाट) तथा टिहरी चरण–1 हैं। केन्द्रीय सरकार स्थिति तथा अपेक्षित संसाधनों सहित बाधाओं का समाधान करने के लिए राज्य सरकार तथा परियोजना प्राधिकारियों के परामर्श से इन परियोजनाओं की सघन रूप से मानीटरिंग करती रही है।

Outlay for additional power generation

2645. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that for the country to be self-sufficient in power generation an additional capacity of 38,369 Megawatt will have to be created in the next five years according to a September 1991 C.E.A. Report-Perspective of National Power Development;

(b) whether in the Eighth Five Year Plan the allocation for the pwer sector is mere Rs. 78000/- crores, sufficient to create only 24000/- Megawatt of additional power generation capacity; and

(c) what steps are being taken to enhance the outlay for power sector in the current plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c) Central Electricity Authority had made certain estimates of the likely requirement of power during the VIII plan period. A provision of Rs. 79,589 crores has been made in the Eighth Five Year Plan covering the period 1992-93 for adding to the existing capacity of power generation in the country. The Eighth Plan envisages installing an additional capacity of 30,537.7 MW. The financial provision made is not likely to be adequate for the envisaged capacity addition programme. Also, though all-out efforts are being made to locate the requisite funds from within the sectors as well as from external sources,,,considerable difficulties are anticipated in this regard, with consequential likely adverse impact on the fulfilment fo plan targets and a few powar projects not materialising within the plan period.

Target for Rural Electrification and Energisation of Irrigation Pumpsets

2646. SHRI RAMJI LAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state

(a) what target was fixed for energisation of irrigation pumpsets for each State during the last three years and the achievements made, so far;

(b) what amount was received for Rural Electrification Corporation from NABARD during the above period in each State; and

(c) what is the target fixed for rural electrificataion and energisation of pumpsets for 1993-94 and Eighth Five Year Plan and the allocation for each State in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Target fixed for energisation of irrigation pumpsets and achievement during the last three years is given in Annexure. (*See* Appendix CLXVI, Annexure No. 49]

(b) State-wise disbursement of funds during the last three years by NABRAD to SEBs is given in Annexure [*See* Appendix CLXVI , Annexure No. 49]

(c) State-wise allocation of funds for rural electrification and target fixed for energisation of pumpsets for the year 1993-94 is at Annexure [*See* Appendix CLXVI, Annexure No. 49] It has been proposed to energise 25 *lakhs pumpsets during the Eighth* Five Year Plan. The state-wise targets are, however, decided on year to year basis during the Annual Plan discussions, keeping in view the availability of financial resources and other necessary inputs for rural electrification programme.

12.00 Noon

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, Statement by Minister correcting Answer to Question. Dr. Abrar Ahmed.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2nd March, 1993 to Unstarred Question 884 regarding foreign investment in the Country

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): Sir, I lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2nd March, 1993 to Unstarred Question 884 regarding foreign investment in the counrty. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-3600/93]

[**The Deputy Chairman** in the Chair]

SHRI M. A. BABY (Kerala): Madam, I am on a point of order.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: First, Papers to be Laid on the Table.

SHRI M. A. BABY: Madam I am on a point of order on the Statement by Minister Correcting Answer to Question. Madam, this has become a frequent practice that after having given an incorrect answer, within a week's time the Government is coming with a statement correcting the answer. It means, invariably our questions are answered incorrectly. So, we want your protection. You kindly direct the Government that this kind of practice should be reduced to the minimum. We understand that when it is absolutely necessary or when some incorrect information is being supplied through some channel, it would be necessary to correct that. (*Interruptions*). Madam, wrong replies are being given every now and then based on wrong facts. Therefore, wrong supplementaries are asked dependent on wrong replies. If this is how the Government is functioning, the whole functioning of Parliament becomes a farce. So, we seek your protection.

श्री सुन्दर सिंह भंडारी (राजस्थान) : महोदया, मुझे आपसे निवेदन करना है कि जब कभी भी किसी सवाल के सुधार का वक्तव्य देना हो, तो वह जो करेक्ट आन्सर है, उसकी कापीज़ सर्कुलेट होनी चाहिए और उस जवाब के ऊपर अगर सदस्यों को सवाब पूछने हैं, तो उसकी इजाज़त दी जानी चाहिए। नहीं तो यह आम तरीका हो गया कि जब गलत जवाब दिया जाए, उस समय उसके ऊपर सवाल नहीं हो सकते और जब सुधार कर जवाब सही दिया जाता है, तो फिर उस पर सवाल पूछने की इजाज़त नहीं मिलती। तो इस प्रोसीजर को ठीक करने की जरूरत है।

श्री चतुरानन मिश्र (बिहार) : एक बात और कि अभी जो इन्होंने जवाब करेक्ट किया है, तो करेक्ट है कि नहीं, यह भी तो हम लोग ही जांच करेंगे।

उपसभापति : वह तो आने वाला समय बतायेगा कि करेक्ट है कि नहीं।

(SHRI P. UPENDRA (Andhra Pradesh): Why can't were list that question?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Actually these are all unstarred questions.